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FM AMCONSUL CASABLANCA

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INFO AMEMBASSY RABAT

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ABLD, MO

SUBJ: AIR CONDITIONING PROBLEMS, NEW OB, CASABLANCA,
PROPERTY NO. 01556

REF: STATE 084486

1. APPRECIATE GUIDANCE REFTEL. CONTRACTOR IS NOW UNDERTAKING AGAIN TO IMPROVE BALANCE OF SYSTEM. HOWEVER WE HAVE CONSULTED ON PROBLEM SEVERAL OCCASIONS DURING PAST YEAR WITH SPENCER AND, AS RESULT, A PROTRACTED EFFORT WAS MADE BY CONTRACTOR TO BALANCE SYSTEM UNDER SPENCER'S GUIDANCE. EFFORT PRODUCED NO SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT.

2. WITH RESPECT TO PARA. 1 REFTEL, WE ARE SOMEWHAT BAFFLED. NONE OF US HAVE AIR CONDITIONING AT HOME, THERE WAS NONE IN OLD CONSU LATE
THERE IS NONE IN USIS OR IN AMERICAN LANGUAGE CENTER.
THERE IS NONE IN RABAT EMBASSY AND NONE IN RABAT RESIDENCES. WE KNOW THAT WE ARE COMFORTABLE EVERYWHERE ELSE AND UNCOMFORTABLE IN CONSULATE. OUR EXPERIENCE IS DIFFICULT TO RECONCILE WITH CONCLUSIONS REFTEL.

3. ACCORDING TO GOM METEOROLOGICAL DATA, DAILY AVERAGE OF MAXIMUM REPEAT MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE IN CASABLANCA FOR THREE HOTTEST MONTS (JULY-SEPTEMBER) IS 88.4 DEGREES F. SINCE HEATING/AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM WILL IN ANY EVENT REMAIN, IT CAN ALWAYS BE USED ON THE OCCASIONAL DAY IT MAY
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BE JUSTIFIED. WE CONFIDENT FROM EXPERIENCE, HOWEVER,

THAT WE CAN DISPENSE WITH IT GREAT MAJORITY OF TIME, WITH
CONSIDERABLE SAVING IN ELECTRICITY AND INCREASE IN COMFORT.
WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT RECONSIDERING, ON BASIS ABOVE
COMMENTS, APPROVAL FOR MODIFICATION OF WINDOWS TO PERMIT
NATURAL VENTILATION.
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